



Crown and Native Lands Rating Acts Repeal Act 1888

- Citation:** 52 V. No 35
- Date of Assent:** 30 August, 1888
- Commencement:** 1 April, 1888 (retrospective operation)
- Repeal:** Repealed and re-enacted 1908, No 163
- Amendments:** 1893, No 43: See separate record.
1894, No 24: See *s71. s4* shall continue in force in respect to payment of rates to which that section relates. Schedule repeals *s5*.
- Type of Legislation:** Public
- Subject:** Rating
- Relevant Sections:** *s2*: Retrospective commencement from 1 April, 1888.
s3: Repeal of Crown and Native Lands Rating Act 1882 and Crown and Native Lands Rating Act 1882 Amendment Act 1883. [Date of repeal given as 1 April, 1890 – but see marginal note reference to 31 March, 1888 and *s2* above.]
s4: Repeal not to affect... the recovery by the Colonial Treasurer of rates which he ended up paying, rates made prior to the date this Act takes effect, rates levied under any other Act.
s5: Native land in boroughs to be rateable.
s7: Rates derived from Native lands shall be spent only on roads for the benefit of such lands as approved by the Surveyor-General.
- Commentary:** The Government repealed the Crown and Native Lands Rating Act as it affected Crown land as part of a financial retrenchment because it could not afford to keep paying the rates to local bodies. However, Maori land within a borough continues to be rated. Provision is made that all rates raised on Maori land must be spent in the same district as several Members said that often Maori rates had been spent elsewhere and thus the land was not benefitting from roads etc. which is the reason given for it being rated in the first place.
- Cross Reference:** NZPD vol 62 (1888) 359 - 384
NZPD vol 63 (1888) 316 - 318.